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The Honorable Michael K. Powell, Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
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Federal Communications Commission  
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Dear Chairman Powell:

Verizon West Virginia has requested my assistance in havin the Federal Communications Comm on authorize them to offer long-distance service in West Virginia. Verizon has been a good corporate citizen and should be offered the opportunity to offer this service to the citizens of West Virginia. It would be the intent to increase competition which would ultimately benefit the citizens of our state.

Sincerely Yours,

  
Jay Goldman  
Mayor

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cc: Sam Cipoletti

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